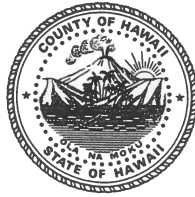


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July 6, 2026

Honorable Dr. Holeka Goro Inaba, Council Chair
and Members of the Hawai'i County Council
Hawai'i County Council
25 Aupuni Street
Hilo, Hawai'i 96720

Subject: Office of the County Auditor Annual Audit Plan for FY 2026-27

Dear Council Chair Inaba and Councilmembers,

Pursuant to Section 3-18(d) of the Hawai'i County Charter, we respectfully submit our plan of proposed audit activities for Fiscal Year 2026-27.

County Charter-Mandated Audits.

Financial audits for Fiscal Year End 2026 will be conducted by Accuity LLP, the external audit firm contracted by our office, and will include:

- Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)
- Department of Water Supply Financial Statements
- Single Audit of Federal Financial Assistance Programs
- Landfill Financial Assurance
- Office of Housing Section 8 Program

Proposed Audits.

The following audits will be conducted as resources permit:

- Office of Housing and Community Development: Nonprofit Funding for Housing and Homelessness Programs (Council Request, Resolution No. 46-25)
- Department of Environmental Management: Wastewater Division
- Hawai'i Police Department: Police Evidence Storage Facilities

Other Projects.

- Investigation of tips received through the Fraud, Waste, and Abuse Hotline
- Semi-Annual follow-up reviews to assess implementation of prior audit recommendations, with status reports issued for the periods ending June 30 and December 31 to the County Council, the Mayor, and applicable boards and commissions
 - Open recommendations will be tracked for up to three years
- Annual Report
- Grant-related reviews

Other Potential Audit Areas.

- Risks identified through the Countywide Risk Assessment
- Emerging risks or issues identified during the fiscal year

The Office of the County Auditor remains committed to providing independent oversight and keeping the County Council and the public informed about County programs and operations. We will continue to promote transparency, accountability, efficiency, effectiveness, and responsible stewardship of public resources.

Respectfully,



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William V. Brilhante, Managing Director
Jon Henricks, County Clerk